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THE following Addreſſes were preſented to Her Majeſty by Sir *Alexander Cummin*, Bart. Repreſentative in Parliament for the Shire of *Aberdeen*, being introduced by the Lord High Treaſurer.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects the Juſtices of Peace of the Shire of *Aberdeen*, convened at the Quarter Seſſions of the ſaid Shire at *Old Meldrum*, the 28th of *October*, 1712. do, with Hearts full of Joy and Gratitude, deſire to approach Your Majeſty's Royal Preſence with our unfeigned Thanks and grateful Acknowledgments for Your unparallel'd Goodneſs and Condeſcention (notwithſtanding of Your undoubted Prerogative) in communicating to Your People the Condition on which an honourable, ſafe, and ſolid Peace, glorious to *Britain*, and advantageous to Your Allies, may be obtained: And it cannot but afford us the utmoſt Satisfaction, when we ſee the important Fortreſs of *Dunkirk* (which was ſo fatal to our Trade) with all its Dependencies put in Your Majeſty's Hands, as an Earneſt and Pledge for the effectual concluſion thereof.

Our Joy is too great to be concealed, when we thus behold Your Majeſty ſitting Arbiter of the Affairs of *Europe*, holding the Ballance thereof in Your Hands, and giving Peace to ſuch of Your Allies as will embrace it; and we are intirely ſatisfy'd, that nothing can be too difficult for Your preſent, prudent and faithful Miniſtry to undertake, or Your Majeſty's conſummate Wiſdom to accompliſh.

We cannot but embrace this Opportunity of returning Your Majeſty our hearty Thanks for giving Your Royal Aſſent to a gracious Toleration to thoſe of the Epiſcopal Perſwaſion, and for reſtoring the Patrons to their ancient Rights and Priviledges.

And that our Joy may be compleat, may Your Majeſty ſoon finiſh this great and glorious Work of Peace, in ſpight of all who delight in War, and long, very long Reign over us, to enjoy the Fruits thereof in the cheerful Obedience of a flouriſhing and contented People: And may Your Life long continue to be the great Security of our Religion, Laws and Liberties: And after a long and proſperous Reign, may Your Majeſty late exchange an Earthly for a Heavenly Crown, which ſhall always be the hearty Prayers and Wiſhes of, may it pleaſe Your Majeſty, Your Majeſty's moſt loyal, dutiful and faithful Subjects and Servants.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Provoſt, Bailiffs, Dean of *Gild*, Treaſurer and Town-Council of Your Loyal and Ancient Borough of *Brechin*;

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

AMongſt the Crouds of loyal Counties and Corporations that Addreſs themſelves unto Your Majeſty, vouchſafe to permit us to approach Your Sacred Preſence, that we may offer our moſt hearty Thanks for the gracious Condeſcenſion of Your Majeſty (whoſe unqueſtionable Prerogative it is to make Peace and War) in communicating to Your Parliament the Terms which Your Majeſty has, by Your great Wiſdom, brought *France* to accept, ſuch Terms that none but they who take Pleaſure in Miſchief can object to. And further, to ſatisfie the Enemies of Your Government that *France* is ſincere, Your Majeſty has got into Your Hands the moſt important Fortreſs that King hath to give as a Pledge of his Faith, which muſt of courſe make the Trade of *Great Britain* to flouriſh.

We alſo beg leave to offer our moſt unfeigned Thanks for the late Grace Your Majeſty has been pleaſed to ſhew to all thoſe of the Epiſcopal Communion in *Scotland*, in allowing us the free Uſe of the moſt excellent Worſhip of the Church of *England*, and for reſtoring our Patrons to their ancient Rights: Theſe are Bleſſings we hope ever to value, and have been long wiſhing for, but were hitherto deprived of them by the Oppreſſions of unreaſonable Men, who, of late have, by frivolous or falſe Pretences, torn from us our legally ſettled Epiſcopal Miniſter, for no other Reaſon truly, but that he was an Epiſcopal Miniſter, and had the Love and Eſteem of his Flock.

May Your Majeſty continue the Darling of Divine Providence: May Your Reign be glorious, and Your Days many: May Your Enemies be cloathed with Shame; and may all Your Subjects heartily endeavour to make ſuitable Returns of Duty and Obedience for the many Bleſſings they enjoy, and may undoubtedly promiſe themſelves, under Your Majeſty's wiſe, juſt, and mild Government. Theſe are and ever ſhall be the conſtant and fervent Prayers of, moſt Sacred Sovereign, Your Majeſty's moſt faithful and moſt obedient Subjects and Servants.

Which Addreſſes Her Majeſty received very graciouſly.

Florence, November 29. *N. S.* The infectious Diſtemper that for ſome time hath prevailed among the Cattle in ſeveral Parts of Italy, is now ſpread into the Pope's Dominions and the Parmegiano. Upon Notice of which Guards are placed on the Frontiers of this State, to prevent the bringing in of Foreign Cattle, and all other Precautions are taken to keep ſo great a Calamity out of Tuſcany. On the 24th Her Majeſty's Ship the Mary came into Leghorn, in ſixteen Hours from Thoulon: She brings Advice, that the Duke of Argyle is landed in Minorca.

Berlin, December 10. *N. S.* The King hath appointed Monſieur Printz, Captain of the Caſtle, and one of the Privy-Council, to be Great Marſhal; which Place hath been Vacant ever ſince the removal of Count Wirgenſtein. The Office of Great Chamberlain is not yet diſpoſed of, but it is ſaid his Majeſty will fill it in a few Days. Letters from Guſtrow inform us, that King Auguſtus is gone from thence to meet the Czar at Strelitz, after which he intends to ſet out for Poland, that he may be preſent at the opening of the Diet.

Hanover, December 13. *N. S.* It is ſaid, that ſeveral Princes of the Empire are to meet at Brunſwick, in order to conſult what Meaſures are proper to be taken upon the preſent Poſture of Affairs in the North, which give them great Diſturbance: For they are apprehenſive that the two Armies in Mecklenburg, having Ravaged that Country, and finding no further Subſiſtance there, will ſeek for it in the Neighbourhood. Letters from Pomerania bring Advice, that the Ceſſation of Arms agreed on between the Generals Steinbock and Flemming expires on the 15th; and in the mean time the Daniſh Forces are marching from Holſtein to join the Muſcovites, and attack the Swedes. Theſe Letters add, that the Czar was come to his Army, and expreſſed great Diſſatisfaction that any Truce had been made.

Utrecht, December 20. *N.S.* On Wedneſday morning Monſieur Moermont, one of the Plenipotentiaries of the States-General, died in this Town, after a long Sickneſs, and his Death hath been notified in Form to all the Miniſters reſiding here. The Earl of Strafford arrived from the Hague on the 15th, and the next Morning his Excellency was viſited by all the Plenipotentiaries. Monſieur Marſhal de Bieberſtein, one of thoſe of the King of Pruſſia, is preparing to ſet out for Berlin, purſuant to Orders he hath received from thence. On the 17th the Queen's Plenipotentiaries had a long Conference with thoſe of the States-General, four of which went the next Day to the Hague. The ſame Afternoon their Lordſhips were with the Miniſters of France at Mareſchal d'Uxelle's Houſe. Thoſe of the Allies met yeſterday, as uſual, in the Town-houſe, where Baron Kirchmer's Commiſſion from the Emperor was produced and read. Mr. Whitworth, Her Majeſty's Ambaſſador-Extraordinary to the Czar, came hither from that Court a few Days ago, and Yeſterday he left this Place, in order to proceed on his journey to Great Britain.